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CHANDERPUR POWER PLANT ASSAM
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has examined the feasibility report of reviving the Chandrapur Power Plant in Assam which was running on Low Sulphur High LSHS oil and Furnace Oil and shut down in 1999;

(b) if so, the outcome of the report;

(c) the main reasons for shut down of the plant;

(d) the steps taken by the Government to revive the plant; and

(e) the time by which it is likely to be made functional?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED)

(a) & (b) : Central Electricity Authority (CEA) have not received any feasibility report for reviving the Chandrapur Power Plant in Assam.

(c) to (e) : Both the units are under suspended operation since June, 1999 due to uneconomic operation because of exorbitant cost of fuel namely Low Sulphur High Speed (LSHS) and Low Sulphur Furnace Oil (LSFO). Efforts to restore the plant in the past by considering various alternative fuels like gas, coal could not succeed.